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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 24 October 2004.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6,9-14 and 17-25 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6,9-14 and 17-25 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 13 June 2002 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Specification

1. The abstract of the disclosure (filed 6-13-02) is objected to because the phrase "...child's (12) teddy bear's arms (3) deliver dad's (14) hugs to the child, transmitted from dad's bear's (14a) input transducer (2) via communication point (20b)", does not read clearly. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).
2. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: On page 12, line 11 of the specification, reference character 21 is being used to denote a "transceiver", however throughout the remainder of the specification 21 denotes "communications". The applicant is advised to review the specification for other error of this nature. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Objections

3. Claims 1-6,9-14,17-25 are objected to because of the following informalities: The claims do not end with a period (.). The examiner notes that phrases were canceled from the claims on amendment, therefore applicant needs to delete the comma (,) at the end of the claims and insert a period (.). Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

5. Claims 23-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite in that it fails to point out what is included or excluded by the claim language. This claim is an omnibus type claim.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

7. Claims 1-6,9-14 and 17-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by '602 to Kikinis. (As best understood) Kikinis discloses the method and apparatus of a powered interactive display comprising an energy source means (power supply 33), a transducing means (column 5, lines 56-67 of the specification), physical display means (doll 13), a covering or enclosure means (column 4, lines 39-44 of the specification), a structure means generally as a distinct structure from the physical display means (column 3 lines 52-65 of the specification), an input means (fig 2), a local or remote control means (fig 2), means to deliver electrical energy to a being (fig 2), further comprising a transceiving communication means (PC 15), a recording

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and playback means (column 8, lines 52-57 of the specification). Kikinis also discloses an additional or hybrid display means (column 3, lines 66-67 and column 4 lines 1-4 of the specification).

Response to Amendment

The amendment filed 10-24-2004 has been considered and rejections of claims 1-6, 9-14 and 17-25 have been maintained as being anticipated by Kikinis. Although several of the indefiniteness rejections (112) were overcome with applicant's amendment, the claims are still rejected by Kikinis.

The omnibus type claim rejection of claims 23-25 are also maintained because it is not clear what is included or excluded by the claim language. Claims must clearly set forth applicant's invention. For example in claim 25, the preamble of the claim recites "method for integrating..." , however there are no clear cut method steps that follow.

The objections to the drawings are withdrawn in view of the corrected figures submitted 6/13/02 .

Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the

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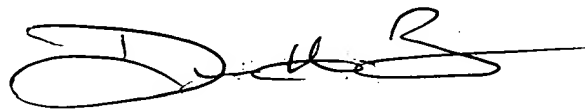
shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jamila O Williams whose telephone number is 571-272-4431. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30am-3:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Derris Banks can be reached on 571-272-4419. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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